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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

August 23, 1999

Sir:

The following amendments are submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 2, 1999.

Please enter the following amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows.
Claim 1, line 2, please delete "native".

REMARKS

Claim 1 is amended hereby. Claims 1-4, 6-10, 12, 13, 15-21 and 24-31 are still pending.

There is only one rejection pending in this application, which is based on 35 USC 112, first paragraph. In order to expedite allowance of this application, and without conceding to the merits of the rejection, the suggestion of the Examiner has been adopted by the deletion of "native" from claim 1.

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